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### **Open Session Meeting Minutes**

Department of Military Affairs Room 230 Wednesday, November 21, 2007 9:59 a.m. – 11:01 a.m.

**Members present:** Chair Brig Gen Donald Dunbar (DMA), David Collins (WSP), Martin Henert (DATCP), Johnnie Smith (WEM), Randall Stark (DNR), and Jim Warren (DCI). Dr. Sheri Johnson (DHFS) was teleconferenced into the meeting.

Members absent or excused: Dave Steingraber (OJA) and member vacancy (CapPol).

**Alternates present:** Tom Anderson (DHFS), Dan Blackdeer (CapPol), Greg Engle (OJA), Steve Peterson (WEM), and David Woodbury (DNR).

Others present: Randi Milsap (DMA Legal Counsel), Lynn Rasmussen (DMA), Katie Schumacher (DMA), Colonel Scott Legwold (DMA), Major June Dykstra (DMA), Major Tim Covington (DMA), Captain Jamie Makowski (DMA), Sergeant First Class Damien Schuerman (DMA), Representative Joan Ballweg (State Assembly), Ed Gleason (DHS), Ed Rooney (DHS/TSA), Richard Ruminski (FBI), Jeff Anderson (US Attorney's Office – Western District), Dick Vraga (U.S. Geological Survey), and Chris Diller (DMA). First responder Ken Kortenhof (Oneida County) was teleconferenced in.

#### Quorum present.

### 10:00 a.m. – Convene in open session.

After convening in open session, the Council took a short break.

#### 10:10 a.m. – Re-convene in open session.



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### 4. Announcements of Closed Session discussion/action.

Chair Dunbar welcomed Ken Kortenhof and Representative Joan Ballweg to the meeting. Chair Dunbar announced that each agency provided its classified intelligence report. There was a presentation on the meningitis incident at Fort McCoy and a presentation on the National Guard Threat Assessment.

5. Review and approval of October 17, 2007 open session meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Dave Collins and seconded by Johnnie Smith to approve the October 17, 2007 open session meeting minutes. **Motion carried.** 

- 6. First Responder and Agency Reports.
  - WSP (Dave Collins): With the recent storms in Iowa and Pennsylvania, the WI Department of Transportation wants to ensure that steps are in place, that protocols and communications are ready to go in the event of snow emergencies. We have been reviewing the protocols for normal operating conditions and elevated operating conditions. We are trying to eliminate confusion in snow emergencies. We would like to present this information at an upcoming Homeland Security Council meeting. We would then roll out the information. Emphasis would be placed on heavily traveled corridors, i.e., Highways 90-94, 43, and 39 have the highest concentration of traffic.
    - WEM (Johnnie Smith): Last year, we activated the EOC in anticipation of the blizzard. The Wisconsin National Guard has sufficient resources to help.
    - WSP (Dave Collins): We reached out to many agencies. We have reached out to neighboring states, including Illinois.
    - O Chair Dunbar: It is important to get information out prior to an emergency so the public knows what to expect ahead of time.
  - <u>CapPol (Dan Blackdeer)</u>: On December 13, 2007 we are planning a practice lock-down. We will help control that.



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- <u>DHFS (Dr. Sheri Johnson)</u>: There are two handouts in your packet. The first handout is on the Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA). See Attachment # 1, 11/21/07 HLS Open Meeting Minutes. There are two cases in schools located in Racine and Milwaukee. The second handout is a Homeland Security Presidential Directive 21 that was released by the White House regarding Public Health and Medical Preparedness. See Attachment # 2, 11/21/07 HLS Open Meeting Minutes.
  - o DHFS (Tom Anderson): The acronyms are defined in the document.
- <u>DNR (Randall Stark)</u>: The 2008 FBI National Academy Conference will be held in Milwaukee July 26-30, 2008. They anticipate 800 law enforcement personnel with 2000 total attendees. The theme is partnership and homeland security. There will be many vendor displays. The planning committee is working on the conference.
  - o <u>WSP (Dave Collins)</u>: There could be many dignitaries visiting and may draw a crowd. It could draw protesters; security will be important.
  - o FBI (Richard Ruminski): Additionally, it is the FBI's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
  - WSP (Dave Collins): It will be a pretty busy July and August in Milwaukee. It is also the 105<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Harley Davidson and the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Harley Davidson Police Bike.
- <u>WEM (Johnnie Smith)</u>: We appreciate the phone system feedback. We will be replacing the phones in the EOC in December 2007.
- OJA (Greg Engle): 1) On November 13, 2007, the State Interoperability Executive Council met. They approved the Plan and also approved the PSIC grant application. 2) We are trying to reach out to professional and first-responder associations. The Wisconsin Preparedness Forum last week was a great success with one-third of the attendees from the private sector. The Wisconsin Citizen Corps is emphasizing preparedness. 3) We have opened up the First Responder and Exercise grants. 4) A quick update on the State Preparedness Report. We are gathering information for the State Preparedness Report; the internal draft is due by December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will have a meeting during the December 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> timeframe in preparation for the January 4, 2008 due date.



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- <u>WEM (Johnnie Smith)</u>: This is an opportunity to get a good sense of the state's capabilities that is not specifically asked for in the report. We would like to go beyond what FEMA is asking for and look across our respective agencies for capabilities.
- o <u>Chair Dunbar</u>: The National Governors Association asked the House and Senate for an extension of the due date.
- o OJA (Greg Engle): We just received the final guidance vesterday.
- <u>DCI (Jim Warren)</u>: Carolyn Kelly had a baby boy last Thursday.
- <u>DATCP (Martin Henert)</u>: We received an update today on grants for the multi-state partnership exercises with Border States. We will either mail out or provide at the next meeting.
- <u>State Assembly (Representative Joan Ballweg)</u>: 1) I attended the Wisconsin Preparedness Forum last week; it was well received. My compliments to OJA. 2) The legislation that many of you worked on has passed the Assembly; now it goes to the Senate.
- Oneida County (Ken Kortenhof): 1) Our new communications group continues to work on the public communications system. We will be looking at Minnesota's system. 2) The counties in the WEM Northeast Region are putting together a mutual aid memorandum of understanding. We have a final draft.
- <u>DHS (Ed Gleason)</u>: 1) I would like to commend DATCP on the nice job at the 2-day conference in La Crosse last week, particularly Robin Schmidt. There was a good case study on foreign animal disease. 2) This is an update on the After-Action Report from a Green Bay Packers game in September 2007. I went to the Green Bay Packers game this past weekend and we interviewed several ushers. The staff has been drilled and well trained on what they need to do if the stadium has to be evacuated.
- <u>FBI (Richard Ruminski)</u>: The FBI Director is coming to Milwaukee on December 13; 2007. There may be a press conference. We do not expect a protest.



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- <u>U.S. Attorney's Office (Jeff Anderson)</u>: There was an incident in Rock County on November 9, 2007. Six individuals entered a bank in Footville with masks and guns. They got the money and nobody was hurt. Within hours, all six were arrested. I want to commend the FBI for their role in investigating the incident. There was excellent cooperation between the FBI and Rock County Law Enforcement.
- 7. <u>Presentation by DMA on the Homeland Security Infrastructure Program (HSIP) Freedom Project.</u>

Presentation by Chris Diller (DMA) and Dick Vraga (U.S. Geological Survey). See Attachment #3, 11/21/07 HLS Open Meeting Minutes. See also Handouts #1 and #2, 11/21/07 HLS Open Meeting Minutes. We are requesting that the Council support this HSIP Project by including it in the Homeland Security Annual Report. We are coordinating mapping activities so they will be accessible during times of emergency. The maps detail the geo-spatial infrastructure and point-location. They identify hospitals, police stations, and nursing homes, among other things. They also identify different sectors such as agricultural and commercial. Technographics is gathering the data for the Federal Government. We have four layers of data. This data is available to State agencies through E-sponder. We need to weigh the public good of having the data available versus the threat of not having the data available. The State has the controls of who has access to this data. Parts of the data can be taken out of the public domain while keeping the key information available for first responders. We are trying to identify the critical layers for Wisconsin and trying to find any gaps. Three agencies are involved in this program.

- <u>WSP (Dave Collins):</u> The WI Department of Transportation also struggles with what information to keep private versus public, (i.e., bridge safety) and still comply with the open records law.
- <u>DNR (David Woodbury):</u> We had a similar situation with information on public drinking water.
- <u>WEM (Johnnie Smith)</u>: I recommend we support the concept with the necessary safeguards. It is critical to have access to the information. It is needed in the EOC.
- <u>U.S. Geological Survey (Dick Vraga)</u>. I have a document with the link. I will provide to Randi Milsap for dissemination to the Council.



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### 8. Other business.

- <u>Chair Dunbar</u>: I attended a briefing last week and met Dr. Carol Evans. I would like to make a proposal to have her conduct a large exercise in 2009, in addition to the Coast Guard exercise in 2008. If the Council agrees, I would like her to give a presentation to us in December or January. We are trying to get the money to pay for this exercise. Her most recent exercise was in Maine.
  - o DCI (Jim Warren): It was a maritime security exercise.
- 9. Set date, time and place of next meeting.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 19th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

### 10. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Johnnie Smith and seconded by Dave Collins to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.** 

11:01 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.